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Group Art Unit: 2823

Re: Copy of Request for Withdrawal/Postcard dated February 5, 2003
U.S. Patent Appln. S.N. 09/650,759
Title: Optical Semiconductor Device Having an Epitaxial Layer of III-V Compound
Semiconductor material Containing N as a Group Element
By: KURAMATA et al.
Our Ref: 990527

Fax Number: 571-273-1856

From: Stephen G. Adrian

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Attached is a copy of our request (without attachments) with date stamped postcard.

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **KURAMATA, et al.**Serial No.: **09/313,764**Group Art Unit: **2823**Filed: **May 18, 1999**Examiner: **COLEMAN**FOR: **OPTICAL SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE HAVING AN EPITAXIAL LAYER OF
III-V COMPOUND SEMICONDUCTOR MATERIAL CONTAINING N AS A
GROUP V ELEMENT**P.T.O. Confirmation No.: **4289****REQUEST FOR WITHDRAWAL OF HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT**Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Date: February 5, 2003

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request the Commissioner to withdraw the holding of abandonment set forth in the Notice of Abandonment mailed January 27, 2003.

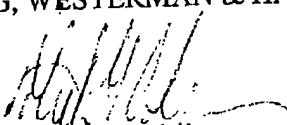
The Notice of Abandonment indicates that an Office Action was mailed May 21, 2002. Applicants' representatives did not receive a copy of the Office letter. Thus, a response would have been due August 21, 2002. As can be seen from the attached docket for August 21, 2002, no due date for this application appears.

In addition, the attached copy of our PTO log book for the period from May 20, 2002 to May 31, 2002, shows that the Office Action was not received.

Since applicants did not receive the Office letter, it is believed that a petition and fee are not required. However, if a fee is considered to be required in connection with the present petition, please charge such fee to our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachments: Copy: Notice of Abandonment mailed January 27, 2003
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Our PTO Log Book

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in connection with the above-identified case. SCA/ARF